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Prior to 10 July 1953, the restricted area on Gerhart Hauptmann Strasse, Neustrelitz, was occupied about 70 percent.

included 57-mm AT guns, 76.2-mm field guns and 122-mm field howitzers. Beginning 1 July, firing with live ammunition with 76.2-mm field guns was observed in the training area east of the restricted area, and firing with 122-mm field howitzers was held in the training area at Segelflugplatz (gliders' airfield). Prior to 10 July, the Grenadier Kaserne was occupied to capacity. Rocket launcher was seen near the entrance. The Infanterie Kaserne was also occupied to capacity during the period under review. On 30 June, T-43 tanks and JS tank as well as a six-wheel armored personnel carrier, were observed. On 1 July, T-43 tanks and, on 8 July, T-43 tanks

The Schlossgarten restricted area was occupied. No AA guns were observed. Rocket launcher was identified. During the period of martial law from 17 to 24 June, source did not observe any training activity in the installations. Three-man patrols were seen in the town. SED party offices and railroad stations were guarded by Soviet troops, KVP and SED party members. There were no strikes or demonstrations in Neustrelitz.

Comment. The information tends to indicate that, prior to early July, units of the 9th Gds Tank Div stationed in Neustrelitz were in their installations. This indicates that, except for the 33d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt., no other units of the division were employed outside of their post during the demonstrations.

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